

# How to get the mouse to work in MS-DOS

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For a mouse to work in an MS-DOS environment, load the Microsoft mouse driver mouse.com in the autoexec.bat file or the mouse device driver mouse.sys loading in your config.sys file.



## Find the MS-DOS mouse driver

Before placing any information into the Autoexec.bat and Config.sys, you need to locate one of those files on your computer. To locate a file in MS-DOS, type either of the commands below at C:\> prompt.

```
dir mouse.com /s
```

or

```
dir mouse.sys /s
```

Once either of these commands are typed in, a list of directories containing the file is shown. If you get a file not found error, try the alternate command.

## Load mouse driver

Once the file is on the computer, follow the instructions below that correspond with the file that was found.

### Autoexec.bat

```
LH C:\Windows\MOUSE.COM
```

### Config.sys

```
DEVICE=C:\Windows\MOUSE.SYS
```

The above two lines are examples. If either file is located in another directory, you would substitute the C:\Windows\  
for the directory containing the file.

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